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TOP: Nathalie (de Svastich) Clark ('87); BOTTOM: Gregory Noveck ('87)

# **1987 Class Notes Archives**

#### ----- From December 2014 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• Nathalie (de Svastich) Clark (*LSY: 3eme in 1984*) "is a full-time local real estate professional who specializes in lower Westchester County, including Larchmont, Mamaroneck, Rye, Rye Neck, Scarsdale, New Rochelle and Pelham ..... Fluent in French, Spanish and English, Nathalie moved with her family to Westchester after growing up in both Manhattan and Paris ..... Nathalie's prior 20 years of business experience in the financial arena further honed her expert negotiating skills and ingrained in her the real value of developing creative marketing approaches ....." (<u>http://nathalieclark.elliman.com/about</u>)

• **Gregory Noveck** (*LSY: 4eme in 1983*) "served as Senior Vice President of Creative Affairs of DC Comics for eight years. He helped start SYFY Films, through which he produced films and acquired several projects for development including properties from Imagine, George R.R. Martin and Michael Tolkin. He made it his mission to expand the brand beyond Superman and Batman, and worked on A History of Violence, Constantine, Watchmen, Jonah Hex, The Losers, and Green Lantern for Warner Bros..... Prior to that, he worked at CBS Entertainment's Business Affairs and was Senior Vice President, Creative Affairs and Producer of Platinum Studios. Along the way he worked on a number of films and TV shows including Homicide: Life on the Street (NBC), Oz (HBO), Nash Bridges (CBS), The Show (Film), Hard Eight (Film), Highlander: The Series (USA), and La Femme Nikita (USA) ..... He has been Member of Strategic Advisory Board of Rightscorp, Inc. since November 25, 2014." (http://www.bloomberq.com/)

• Alexia Vikis (LSY: 1ere in 1986) is an Assistant Professor of Spanish at George Mason University. She "completed her undergraduate and graduate degrees at George Mason University -- B.A. 1993, M.A. 1996, D.A. 2002." (<u>http://mcl.gmu.edu/people/avikis</u>)





TOP: Alexia Vikis ('87); BOTTOM: Armand de Vallois ('87)

• Armand de Vallois (LSY: 1ere in 1986) is a partner at Kurt Salmon. "Armand intervient au sein de la practice Consumer Goods de Kurt Salmon ou il a la responsabilité des problématiques liées à supply chain. Après des études de gestion, complétées par un MBA à Babson College à Boston aux USA, il démarre sa carrière chez PricewaterhouseCoopers comme consultant en organisation. Il rejoint Kurt Salmon en 2006 ou il traite exclusivement des projets relatifs à la Supply Chain dans le secteur de la Distribution (Grande distribution alimentaire, distribution spécialisée bricolage, culture, meuble, cosmétique, grands magasins) et dans la Restauration....." (http://www.kurtsalmon.com/fr-fr/Retail/vertical-team/Equipe)





TOP: Natasha Labaze ('87); BOTTOM: Ali Haddou Ruiz ('87)

• Natasha Labaze (LSY: Terminale in 1987) "is an English teacher at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Her parents are Haitian and moved to the United States in the 1960s. Her late mother instilled her with a love for Haiti. She has recently published a prose poem entitled, "Reflections on Water" in the online literary magazine, Tanbou (click on link below). She has also published a piece, "Love Letter to Haiti" in Bronx Biannual, Issue 2." (http://writersofhaiti.com/natasha-labaze/)

• Ali Haddou Ruiz (LSY: Terminale in 1987) is a Partner at Agon Economía y Derecho (a consulting firm in Mexico City specializing in competition, regulatory and international trade issues). He "was Executive Secretary at the Federal Competition Commission (CFC) from 2005 to 2013, where he was in charge of coordinating its technical staff and presenting all investigation, merger and regulated markets cases to the CFC's board. Between 1996 and 2004, he was Advisor to the Head of the Economic Deregulation Unit of the Ministry of Trade and Industry, and then Coordinator of Regulatory Impact Analysis at the Federal Regulatory Improvement Commission (Cofemer). From 1993 to 1996 he worked at the Mexican government's NAFTA Office in Washington, DC. He has participated in diverse competition and regulatory reform projects with APEC, the World Bank and the governments of Korea and Uruguay. He holds a BS in Industrial Engineering from Columbia University and a master's degree in international science and technology policy from George Washington University." (http://agon.mx/english/about-us/ali-b-haddou/)

• Julien Sevaux (LSY: Terminale in 1987) "is Founding Partner of Stanhope Capital. He has over 20 years' experience in wealth management and corporate finance for substantial entrepreneurial families and their businesses. He is a former board member of Worms & Cie, the diversified family group, which in 1973 founded Permal, a pioneer fund of hedge funds. Prior to co-founding Stanhope Capital, he was a principal in Lehman Brothers' Private Equity Group and Senior M&A Banker in the firm's New York and London offices. Julien received his MBA from New York University's Stern School of Business, is an alumnus of Oxford University and holds a BA in History and Economics from Brown University." (http://www.stanhopecapital.com/team/partner-and-senior-directors/julien-sevaux/)





TOP: Julien Sevaux ('87); BOTTOM: Sophie Gest ('87)

• Sophie Gest (LSY: Terminale in 1987) sent this to us: "I'm writing from Marrakech where we live almost all year round -- except for the summer months that we spend in France, too hot here. Here's a recent pic of me with our new dog James (not even one year old on that pic!)"

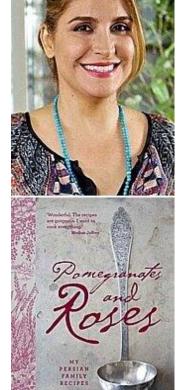
*Editor's note:* Sophie "co-founded Navidor Merchant Services in 2007. She oversees the Operations for Navidor, in the United States and in Europe. She supervises budget execution, and develops strategic partnerships. Sophie has 22 years of international experience in general management and operations. She has supervised numerous startups and reorganization projects in a variety of industries in the USA, Europe and Africa. She has served in an executive capacity at several private companies in the medical, automobile, telecommunications, retail, advertising and lodging industries. Sophie holds a Masters degree in Management from The University of Paris Dauphine." (*http://navidor.com/aboutus.asp*)



- Eugenia (Marruzzo) Schalaudek (LSY: Terminale in 1987) co-stars in the 1990 movie "Alberto Express"
- <u>Gregory Noveck</u> is interviewed and talks about the story of DC Comics
- Natasha Labaze talks about her poem "Hunger"
- Astrid Froidure (LSY: Terminale in 1987) talks about banking and investing at MeDirect Bank.

• **Danielle Knott** (*LSY: Terminale in 1987*) talks about working at Carmeuse (a Belgian mining company which produces lime and limestone)

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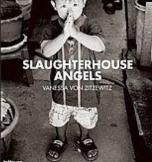
Ariana Bundy ('87) and her book

• Mireille (Langue) Ngazo wrote: "Living in Congo Brazzaville since 2010 after having stayed in France for 28 years. I'm now running the *Fonds d'Investissement Solidaire du Congo* (FISCongo) a fund created to promote entrepreneurship in Congo. We give advices to business creators, build business plans and finance profitable businesses. Family event : married since 1995 and three children."

• Vincent Larroque nous ecrit: "Je vie dans le Sud de la France avec mon épouse et deux garçons (Matéo, 16ans et Giovan, 9 ans)"

• Nicholas Grunnet Nicholas Grunnet "has been working as a coastal engineer in the Department of Coastal & Estuarine Dynamics at DHI since 2004. Based on research work on the evolution of shoreface nourishments conducted in the Netherlands and in the USA, Nicholas Grunnet has acquired an extensive knowledge of sediment transport processes and coastal dynamics. His main interest relates to the morphodynamics of the littoral zone. He is mostly engaged in international projects related to sediment bypass at harbours, coastal erosion studies and beach nourishment projects. Based on his expert knowledge of DHI's modelling software, his work relates to detailed 2D coastal process modelling of waves, flow and sediment transport." (http://www.dancore.dk/files/coastal processes/nicholas grunnet.pdf)





Vanessa Von Zitzewitz ('87) and her book

• Le Docteur **Anouk Herszkowicz** est médecin esthétique chez Clinic 135 a Bruxelles. « Après une longue formation en chirurgie plastique, reconstructrice et esthétique, le docteur Anouk Herszkowicz s'est spécialisée dans les traitements plus doux, de médecine esthétique. » (<u>http://www.clinic135.be/index.php</u>)



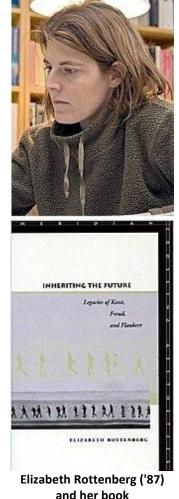


TOP: Nicholas Grunnet ('87); MIDDLE: Anouk Herszkowicz ('87); BOTTOM: Alexandre Carter ('87)

 Alexandre Carter, MD, PhD "is an Assistant Professor in the Division of Stroke and Traumatic Brain Injury in the Department of Neurology [Washington University, School of Medicine] and sees patients at the Comprehensive Outpatient Stroke Clinic in the Center for Advanced Medicine and at The Rehabilitation Institute of Saint Louis.....Dr. Carter's work is centered on understanding the mechanisms of brain plasticity at the network level to help promote better recovery after stroke......Dr. Carter is also active in promoting stroke awareness and the message of primary and secondary stroke prevention through his involvement in The Rehabilitation Institute's Patient and Family Stroke Education Series and in the wider Saint Louis community. [He] received his B.A. magna cum laude from Brandeis University in 1991 with a major in neuroscience and worked as a research associate for the RWJ Pharmaceutical Research Institute. He then entered the Medical Scientist Training Program in the Harvard Medical School/MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology. He was awarded his M.D. and Ph.D. in 2003 after completing thesis work on the role of brainderived neurotrophic factor in synapse formation and synaptic plasticity. This was followed by a residency in neurology at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University School of Medicine and a T32-sponsored research fellowship in stroke rehabilitation at The Rehabilitation Institute of Saint Louis and WUSM.....Dr. Carter focuses on patients recovering from stroke and stroke prevention and his work benefits from the support of an Amos Medical Faculty Development Program award from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, a Mentored Clinical Scientist K08 Award from the National Institute of Neurologic Diseases and Stroke, and a grant from the James S. McDonnell Foundation." (http://neuro.wustl.edu/aboutus/facultybiographies/carter/)

• Ariana Bundy "was brought up in New York, London, Switzerland and Paris. She inherited her love of food and cooking from her grandparents - who grew cherries, plums, apricots, apples, wheat and barley, bred sheep and goats for dairy, and had beautiful vineyards producing prized grapes - and from her father, who owned the first fine-dining French restaurant in Iran and later in Beverly Hills. Ariana was Head Pastry Chef for the Mondrian Hotel in LA. Graduate of Le Cordon Bleu and Le Notre in Paris, she trained at Fauchon Patisserie and attended the European Business School in London. She has cooked for celebrities such as Tom Hanks, Nicole Kidman, President Clinton, Brad Pitt and Madonna to name a few. Her latest book 'Pomegranates and Roses: My Persian Family Recipes' won an award at the Gourmand Cookbook Awards in 2012 and was shortlisted as the Best Cookery Book at the Writer's Guild Awards in 2013. In her beautiful part cookbook part culinary memoir, Ariana pays tribute to the rich heritage, cultural and culinary, that has shaped her approach to life, cooking, and eating. Her books have been featured in [many] magazines.....Ariana has appeared on TV shows such as the BBC's Good Food Live, Sky's Taste, Euronews, FOX and Top Billing. She is also the author of 'Sweet Alternative' the first ever gluten-, dairy- and soy-free dessert cookbook (Conran-Octopus UK) written in 2005 due to her family's and her own food intolerances."

• **Delphine Munro** is Head of Arts at the European Investment Bank Institute. "[She] joined the EIB Group in 2005, first as Head of Marketing Communications at the European Investment Fund, then as Head of Arts....in



2009. In this capacity she is responsible for the development and implementation of the Arts & Culture programme of the EIB Institute: this includes the day to day management and enhancement of the art collection, the development of a mentoring/artist in residence scheme, the promotion of emerging artists in different disciplines, the formulation of employee engagement programmes, and the preservation of cultural heritage.

Prior to that, Ms Munro had 20 years' experience in arts management and marketing communications. She worked for museums (Musée National d'Art Moderne-Centre Pompidou, Paris), cultural institutions (Fondation Cartier, Paris; Institut Français, Prague), an auction house (Sotheby's, London) and the corporate world (BNP Paribas and HSBC, both in London).....Ms Munro has a twofold education, in Economics and Finance (Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris – Sciences Po) and in art history (post graduate, Courtauld Institute, London)....." (https://institute.eib.org/delphine-munro-head-of-arts-eib-institute/)

• Vanessa von Zitzewitz "was born 1970 in Hamburg. The artist grew up between USA, France and Monaco. [She] visited the well-known school Parsons School of Design in Paris, where she discovered and developed her artistic talent. Already as a young photographer she was very successful, signed first major contracts with well-known luxury brands and photographed film stars, fashion icons and artists, as well as important political personalities. The artist has published her photographs in a number of books, and exhibited in NYC, Paris, Rome, Milan, Turin, London, Tokyo, Berlin and Los Angeles."

(http://www.bernheimer.com/photography/en/photographers/vanessa-von-zitzewitz)



TOP: Delphine (Giraud) Munro ('87); BOTTOM: Laurence Gormezano ('87)

• Laurence Gormezano "is an actress, known for her work on *Le transporteur II* (2005), *La Vie en Rose* (2007) and *L'empire des loups* (2005)." (<u>http://www.imdb.com/name/nm1159076/bio?ref =nm ov bio sm</u>)

• Elizabeth Rottenberg "is Associate Professor of Philosophy and Director of the Comparative Literature Program at DePaul University. She received her Ph.D. at The Humanities Center at Johns Hopkins University and has studied at the École Normale Supérieure in Paris and the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität in Freiburg, Germany. She is the author of *Inheriting the Future: Legacies of Kant, Freud, and Flaubert* and has translated books by Lyotard, Derrida, and Blanchot. She is the editor and translator of *Negotiations: Interventions and Interviews* (1971-2001) by Jacques Derrida (Stanford, 2001) as well as the co-editor (with Peggy Kamuf) of the two volume edition of Jacques Derrida's *Psyche: Inventions of the Other* (Stanford, 2007/2008). She has published many articles on themes in late modern and contemporary philosophy as well as in psychoanalysis in journals such as Kant-Studien, Philosophy Today, Mosaic, MLN, and theory@buffalo. She is currently a candidate at the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis."

TOP: Charles Di Piazza ('87); BOTTOM: Laure (Devèze) Bories ('87)

(http://las.depaul.edu/philosophy/People/Faculty/Elizabeth\_Rottenberg.asp)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet (Click on links below):

• <u>Ariana Nazanine Saadlou-Bundy</u> browses the French markets and then prepares a Pumpkin Flan and roll of Sweet Chestnut Truffles, from her book 'Sweet Alternative'

• **Delphine (Giraud) Munro** explains the EIB Institute Arts Programme

Marrakech Gallery of Photographic Arts in Marrakech, Morocco.

lives with his girlfriend and her two dogs."

• Vanessa Von Zitzewitz discusses the making of her book -- "The Horses of Qatar"

#### ----- From December 2012 AALFNY Newsletter -----





TOP: Gilles Coccoli ('87): **BOTTOM: Judith Greciet ('87)** 

• Raviv Laor wrote: "I was surprised to come across [the In Memoriam] page [of the AALFNY website] as I never thought of my mortality in the context of my years at the Lycée. Of course it is fitting, since the Lycée was such a defining experience that shaped our lives. I was saddened to learn of some of my favorite teachers as having passed. But [I was shocked] when I came across students whose years came after mine. In any event Lisa Bilotti ('87) should be added to the list. (In fact as I recall Didier Martheleur ('87) who sadly also appears on this page had a HUGE crush on her in 2nd grade.) Though she left the Lycée before graduating, she was an integral part of the class in our very early years. It is fitting that she should appear on its page. She passed sometime in 1989 of cancer. I've thought of her and her parents often. She was their only child. And she was my friend!" (Editor's note: Thank you Raviv for bringing this sad news to our attention. We have added Lisa to the In Memoriam page)

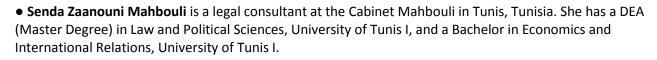
• Stéphane Barbe nous écrit: "Je suis à présent engagé dans un projet de plantation en très grandes surfaces au Sahel de *nérés*, arbre sanitaire qui peut pousser dans la savane et qui permet aux populations locales, affamées, d'obtenir les apports nécessaires en protéines (30%), fer (30%), acides aminées, iode, vitamines, sels minéraux. L'iode notamment permet de lutter contre le goître, qui touche près de 15% de la population, et se révèle dramatique pour les femmes enceintes (naissances d'enfants anormaux). Nous avons besoin de dons, n'hésitez pas à impliquer votre entreprise..... En savoir plus sur www.TerraParkia.org."



TOP: Alexandra LaGatta ('87); MIDDLE: Stephen Siegel ('87); **BOTTOM: Beatrice Le** Pechoux ('87)

• Gilles Coccoli is the "managing Director of PrePay Solutions, a UK based prepaid solution provider.....six languages, boasts more than a decade of experience in the international prepaid market.....An internationalist, he spent his younger years living in France, Brazil and New York, which prepared him for a Troy, NY. He completed his graduate studies with a major in International Business Management (HEC) in France. Coccoli previously worked as an auditor at Arthur Andersen in Paris. After completing his studies, Coccoli joined Accor Services (now Edenred) in 1993 in Brazil, where he contributed to modernizing the business' operations from paper-based voucher programs to prepaid cards. He worked with small distributors, service providers and financial institutions to adapt traditional business models to the evolving market....." (globalprepaidexchange.com)

global career in prepaid. Coccoli graduated from the Lycée Français de New York in Manhattan and earned a computer science degree from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a private, research-based university in



• Vincent Larroque is Group Sales Director at Monaco KMarine France.

• Judith Greciet « Directeur Général, BioAlliance Pharma : Docteur en pharmacie, Judith Greciet est diplômée d'un 3° cycle de gestion et marketing pharmaceutique. Président du Laboratoire Eisai France, Judith Greciet a dirigé pendant trois ans cette entreprise focalisée sur des produits à haute valeur ajoutée dans la maladie d'Alzheimer où Eisai est un des leaders mondiaux. Elle avait rejoint le laboratoire EISAI France en juin 2007, après un parcours réussi au sein de Wyeth Pharmaceuticals France (aujourd'hui Pfizer), du LFB (Laboratoire Français du fractionnement et des Biotechnologies), de Zeneca et de Pharmacia avec une envergure managériale et des responsabilités opérationnelles et stratégiques croissantes. Judith Greciet s'est tout particulièrement attachée à l'optimisation des liens de proximité avec l'ensemble des acteurs de santé (chercheurs, hospitaliers, médecins, associations de patients, pouvoirs publics...). Elle a exercé son talent dans les domaines de la cancérologie et de l'immunologie avec des produits d'innovations comme l'Enbrel (en rhumatologie). Elle a été Directeur de la Division Oncologie au sein de Wyeth puis de la Division Hôpital avec en particulier des projets d'antibiothérapie hospitalière. » *(bioalliancepharma.com)* 

• Beatrice Le Pechoux "was born in Milan, Italy..... While growing up, she attended schools in Italy, U.S.A., France and Japan, and had many opportunities to travel within and around those countries. In 1987, she graduated from high school with honors at the Lycée Franco-Japonais in Tokyo, Japan. She attended Paris-IX Dauphine University in Paris, France, where she complete a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and Economics..... On an exchange program with Nichols State University, she moved back to the United States in Thibodeaux, Louisiana, to complete a Master of Business Administration in 1992. Internships and short-term job opportunities, allowed [her] to gain work experience in various textile and apparel related activities (from quality control, buying and import coordination, to sales, marketing research and public relations) in Japan, India, Korea, U.S.A. and France. Her interest in the multiple aspects of the textile/apparel industry prompted her to attend the French Fashion Institute in Paris, where she completed a post-graduate program, focusing





TOP: Guido Milner ('87); BOTTOM: Caroline Hodak ('87)





TOP: Senda Zaanouni Mahbouli ('87); BOTTOM: Vincent Larroque ('87)

on design, management and technology in 1995..... In August, 1996, Beatrice started the Textile Technology Management Ph.D. program at North Carolina State University."

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

- i2i Events Group CEO Mark Shashoua outlines his vision for his company.
- Interview de Judith Greciet, Directrice Générale de BioAlliancePharma, "La Bourse et la Vie"

# ---- From December 2011 AALFNY Newsletter -----

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

Alexander Souri is interviewed by CBS about Relief Riders International







TOP: Zoé (Coxon) Cuddy ('87); **MIDDLE: Jean-Baptiste Silla** ('87); **BOTTOM: Astrid Froidure de** Kerdanet ('87)



**TOP: Juliette Barroux di** Giovanni ('87); BOTTOM: Kenneth Smith Ramos ('87)

International Economics and European Studies, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies-SAIS. [He worked at the] Embassy of Mexico, Washington, D.C.—Office for Negotiation of the North American Free Trade Agreement (1992-1997). He also was First Secretary in charge of institutional relations and liaison for the Ministry of Commerce and Industrial Development with the United States Congress. From 1997 to 1999, he was Associate in charge of managing investment projects in Mexico made by Canadian and United States companies. From 2000 to 2002, he collaborated at the Ministry of the Economy as General Coordinator of Advisors in International Trade Negotiations. Later he became General Director for Negotiation Evaluation and Monitoring. Among his duties, he was responsible for the implementation of the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), as well as coordinator of international negotiations regarding standards, unfair trade practices and safeguards, and trade and the environment." (cedan.org.mx)

Kenneth Smith Ramos is "General Director for Institutional and International Affairs. Federal Commission

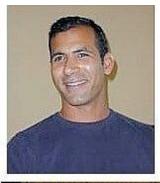
 Alexander Souri "is the Founder & Executive Director Relief Rider International (RRI), a humanitarian childrens foundation. RRI is a humanitarian-based, adventure travel company that organizes horseback journeys through breathtaking areas in the Thar Desert of Rajasthan, India. Over the last six years RRI has held ten successful Relief Rides, [designing and developing] far reaching medical and educational programs providing school supplies, goats, medical care and cataract surgeries to rural communities in Rajasthan." (http://www.blogtalkradio.com/thecoffeeklatch/2011/07/25/relief-rider-international--alexander-souri)

----- From November 2010 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• Lancelot Gambis wrote: "In 2010, while continuing to work as a French/Spanish translator, Lance has dedicated more time to helping his wife, Patricia, launch her online boutique of handcrafted children's clothes (www.patriciagambis.com). He's also passionate about cooking, baking and making movies with his 8-yr old son, Nicolas, They have recently moved to Forest Hills, NY." (http://vimeo.com/user688275)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

• Noga Arikha discusses her book, "Passions and Tempers: A History of the Humours."



#### ----- From December 2009 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• Jean-Baptiste Silla nous écrit: "Apres avoir 'vu' certains de ces visages, quelques 28 ans plus tard sur [votre] site, il me ferait immensément plaisir de pouvoir me remettre en contact avec eux et d'entendre la 'voix' que les années ont pu porter sur leurs personnalités respectives."

• Annick Saint-Sabin told us that she has created a website where her artwork can be viewed.

----- From January 2009 AALFNY Newsletter -----



TOP: Alexander Souri ('87); BOTTOM: Guillaume Leclair ('87) at the October 5, 2011 reunion in Paris, organized by the LFNY

### WEDDINGS/MARIAGES

• **Micheline Dugué** tied the knot on August 28, 2008 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception (Jamaica Estates, NY).

• Letizia Hoffmann wrote: "I share my time between Bali and Geneva, doing art projects and jewelry. Next big show will be held at the Olden in Gstaad from 19th to 20th of February. Anyone there from LFNY welcome! Otherwise I always wonder how Mr. Dorion, the best, best teacher I ever, ever had is doing!?"

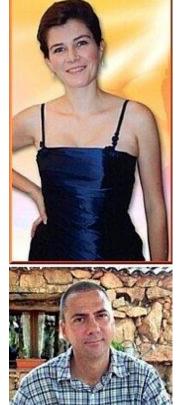
• Astrid Froidure de Kerdanet wrote: "I started as a Consultant to the creative world of Advertising and the Arts. Early, I realized this choice of career was not going to be sufficient to support my ambitions for travel and my appetite for life. I then worked in London in market research, fell in love, got married. 10 years later, two lovely children and a career focused on Telecommunications, I decided to move to New Zealand. NZ was an exciting and very fulfilling adventure, on all fronts: I diversified into Banking, set up on my own, and came back to Europe after six years, with a new addition to the family. I am now based in Brussels where I advise pan-European Retail banks and Telecom operators on Marketing and Management strategy."

• « C'est à 15 ans que **Perrine Hanrot** découvre son goût pour l'art lyrique en interprétant la Périchole d'Offenbach au lycée Français de New York. Tout en poursuivant ses études de lettres et de philosophie, elle décide de travailler le chant à Paris puis part se perfectionner à Utrecht aux Pays Bas auprès d'Udo Reinemann puis à Amsterdam pour étudier avec Margreet Honig. De retour en France, elle intègre la formation professionnelle de la Maîtrise de Notre-Dame de Paris. Comme choriste, elle a travaillé sous la baguette de chefs comme Chung, Eisenbach, Minkowski, Nelson... Perrine se produit comme soliste dans des oratorios tels que Magnificat, Messes et Passions de JS Bach, Stabat Mater de Pergolèse, Gloria de Vivaldi. Elle chante régulièrement avec l'ensemble de musique baroque Sprezzatura et le chœur de femmes Britten (direction N.





TOP: Micheline Dugué ('87) and husband Dan at their wedding on 8/28/2008; BOTTOM (left to right): Alessandra Gagliardi ('86), Druce Vertes, Gloria Tulliu



TOP: Perrine Hanrot ('87); BOTTOM: Samuel Lodeon ('87) Corti). Elle a interprété les rôles de Cupidon (Vénus et Adonis de Blow), Chérubin (Les noces de Figaro de Mozart), Rosine (le Barbier de Séville de Rossini), Madame Noé (Noye's Fludde de Britten). Son attirance pour la musique religieuse et l'originalité de son parcours lui permet d'aborder des styles musicaux très variés puisque son répertoire s'étend du chant Grégorien à la musique contemporaine. L'étendue de sa tessiture lui permet de tenir aussi bien les parties d'alto que celles de mezzo-soprono colorature. La voici aujourd'hui entraînée par Sylvie dans une nouvelle aventure : "Gospellement swing !", pour un Duo de choc et de charme avec deux voix chaudes et envoûtantes ! » (<u>http://sylvie.sicamois.free.fr/perrine%20hanrot.htm</u>)

## ----- From July 2008 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• **BIRTHS/NAISSANCES**: From **Guillaume Rambourg**: "Just a quick line to announce the arrival of Selma Jade Ella Rambourg, in the early hours of Thursday 6th of March. She shares that birth day with heavyweight artists in their fields such as Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Lorin Maazel, Andrzej Wajda, Kiri Te Kanawa, Ivan Boesky (!), Alan Greenspan, Dick Fosbury and Shaquille O'Neal. Weighing 4.175 kilos and expanding over 54cms, let's hope she doesn't emulate the latter's size too much. Last but not least, she picked the day of her sister Yasmin's 4th birthday. In times of recession, the cost saving of a combined birthday party is not negligible. Good girl! I will endeavour to deliver fund performance as consistently as I produce babies."

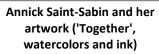
• Claude Schwab wrote: "I wanted to share news regarding myself and one of my brothers, *Solan Schwab ('88)*. Our firm, Schwab Enterprise, was recently acquired (April 2008), and I have included below a small article on this event. *[Click on link below to access the article]* Schwab Enterprise established a niche in hedge fund executive search and hedge fund online and print publications. Solan and I, along with our team, have joined Heidrick & Struggles and will continue to work in hedge fund search and hedge fund online and print publications."

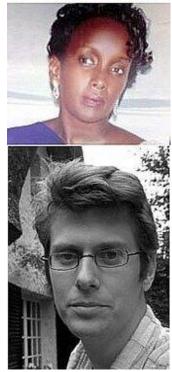
• Nathalie Shalofsky told us that she is looking for *Patricia Barthe* ('87). "If anyone has any contact with her please let me know. We were together in Class 6A2 in the school year 1980-1981. We were 11 years old. She was my best girl friend then and I really want to make contact again." (If you have an email address for her, please send it to us, and we will forward it to Nathalie.)

----- From December 2007 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• The class of '87 held a reunion in NYC in August 2007, and in Paris in September 2007. For details, <u>click here</u> and <u>here</u>.







**TOP: Line-Shaza (Bwakira)** Gahiga ('87); **BOTTOM: Stephan Barbe** 

à 3 mois."





• Christine (Oury) Foucher wrote: "My family moved to the Bay Area in August and is settling in. It is just beautiful here! I am director of communications for a software company located in downtown San Francisco and am working with a great group of people. My husband's job transferred from Denver, and the kids are

attending the Lycée Francais La Pérouse, a sister school of the LFNY. I am bummed to have missed our reunions, but hope we can make it an annual gathering (Nick and Micheline – are you up to it??!). I would have loved to reconnect with the group and hope we will have more opportunities in the future. Looks like everyone had a great time! Look me up if you are ever in San Fran!"

**TOP:** Nathalie (Shalofsky) Sissener ('87); **BOTTOM: Björn Bratteby** ('87) with son Ingmar (Jan. 2010)

• Sophie Gest wrote: "I left Morocco and I'm back in France for the next months... until I probably move to the US next!"





TOP: Lancelot Gambis ('87); BOTTOM: Eve Harrison ('87)

• Nathalie (de Svastich) Clark wrote: "While living and working in New York for the past decade, it is through the fantastic 20 year reunion organized this past August by *Nicholas Meltzer ('87) and Micheline Dugue ('87),* that I have reconnected with even more '87 alumns. I have been married eight years to Scott, a Kiwi, and barely survived the French victory over the All Blacks during the last Rugby World Cup! We have a very funny little Caroline who keeps us on our toes and regularly out of breath as she gets ready to turn 2!!! I wish everyone the best for 2008 and the holidays."

• Hortense Porcher wrote: "I'm not married but have an adorable boy named Hippolyte, aged almost 4 years."

• "Mark Shashoua, Chief Executive. Mark was one of the founding members of ITE in the early 1990s. He was Managing Director of ITE from 1995 to 1998 and then Chief Executive Officer until September 1999. He was responsible for the development of ITE's international sales force from 50 people in 1994 to over 300 sales people in 17 countries worldwide. In the same period, sales grew from £8 million to £36 million. Mark's management and leadership skills were conclusively proven by ITE's continued profit growth in 1998 and 1999 under his stewardship, in spite of the unavoidable disruptions associated with flotation on the London Stock Exchange in March 1998 and the unexpected financial crisis in Russia in August 1998. Mark, with his father Roger, was awarded the 'European Dynamic Entrepreneur' in 1998 for his achievements at ITE by 'Europe's 500, the Association for Dynamic Entrepreneurs.' He co-founded Expomedia Group and as the Chief Executive is responsible for the overall day to day running of the Company." *(From EXPOMEDIA GROUP PLC; expomediagroup.com)* 

#### ----- From June 2007 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• <u>Click here</u> for news of Noga Arikha.

• Armelle Bonvarlet wrote: "Hello, Just a few words for classmates of 1987: I'm still living in Paris, after 10 years working with IBM EMEA, and currently 3 years with Microsoft EMEA. Looking forward hearing from you!"

• Lancelot Gambis wrote: "Hey guys. It was really nice to find out what people are doing. I'm still in New York, although I moved three months ago to New Jersey (Bloomfield). I finally have a separate office, and storage room, which is a new concept for me after living 25 years in NYC --and a backyard! My wife (Patricia) and I have been married for six months, and I have a four year-old (Nicolas) from a previous marriage. I run a real estate website (www.abodesabroad.com) and also help out with Patricia's online clothing business (gambis.com). I've stayed in touch with the old gang: *Liz Rottenberg* and *Jesse Littel*. Also, *Aicha* who I saw a year ago in Paris. And I keep in email contact with *Stephane Barbe*. I was roomates with *Alain Frank* in the 90's but I've lost track. I think he lives in Philly and works for the Museum there. Feel free to contact me at







TOP: <u>Jesse Littell</u> ('87); MIDDLE: Jennifer Mackay ('87); BOTTOM: Guillaume Leclair ('87)

[email available upon request]. A plus."







TOP: Karina Beznicki ('87); MIDDLE: Nicolas Cherix ('87); BOTTOM: Sophie Gest ('87)

• Carole (Gourlaouen) Baudry wrote: « BRAVO !! Je suis ravie d'avoir pris connaissance de l'existence de cette association ! Je suis mariée, 2 enfants (Corentin, garçon de 4 ans et Margot petite fille de 7 mois) et j' habite à Tahiti en Polynésie Francaise depuis 6 ans. Je travaille à l'office des Postes et Télécommunications en tant que directeur des ressources humaines. J'espère venir à la réunion qui se prépare, le 3 aout à NY. Je remercie *Stéphanie Mulot* qui m'a permise de découvrir cette association. See you soon, I hope. »

• From **Christine Foucher Oury**: "I'm still in Colorado but will find out very soon if we'll be relocating to San Francisco for my job. My husband Joel is consulting right now so he can move easily. We're pretty excited. There's the Lycee Francais there too (Lycee La Perouse), so we will definitely enroll our kids. After that it may be back East or France, and if we go any further west we might end up in Australia! My kids are getting big, Mathieu is 8 and Alexandre is almost 4. Time flies. I can hardly believe we'll be marking our 20th high school reunion! (I still have that blue T-Shirt with all our names and Class of 1987 written on it!!) I'm really looking forward to catching up with Lycee classmates. Hope everyone is doing well!"

----- From December 2006 AALFNY Newsletter -----

# BIRTHS/NAISSANCES:

- Hortense Porcher
- Jean-Michel Huet

• HONORS & AWARDS: Dr. Micheline Dugué has been elected President of the American Association of French-Speaking Health Professionals (AAFSHP).

• **Christine Oury** wrote: "Class of '87: *Let's organize our 20 year reunion next year!* New York, Paris, Las Vegas,... Open to suggestions! I'm still living in Denver, in beautiful Colorado (although we might be moving this year...) with my husband Joel and my two boys Mathieu (7) and Alexandre (3). We've really enjoyed living in this part of the country, our boys are great hikers! I'd love to hook up with my Lycee classmates in 07."

• "Claude Schwab ('87) and Solan Schwab ('88) have combined to start a hedge fund service provider firm called Schwab Enterprise. We very much enjoy working together and please visit our website www.schwabenterprise.com. Meanwhile our third brother Clarence Schwab ('87), is in private equity, and lives with wife and family in Westchester."

-----From February 2006 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Claude Schwab wrote: "This note is to update you on the three Schwabs, all of whom attended LFNY;







TOP: Stefanie (Jelonek) Fay ('87) & family; MIDDLE: Sandrine-Aïcha Karam's ('87) daughter Juliana Laïla; BOTTOM: Mark Shashoua ('87)

TOP: Yolande Amiot Priso ('87); BOTTOM: Gilles Coccoli ('87)

**Clarence Schwab (1987), Claude Schwab (1987), and Solan Schwab (1988).** Clarence is doing well and is living with his wife and two children in Larchmont, NY. He works in private equity in NYC, and attended Harvard Business School (MBA) and graduated from Columbia University (BA). Claude lives in NYC, where he started a hedge fund service provider firm with his brother Solan after working in venture capital and business development. Claude graduated from The Wharton School (MBA), and also received an MA from Columbia University and a BA from The University of Pennsylvania. Solan graduated from Georgetown Law School and from The University of Chicago (BA), phi beta kappa. When not at work with Claude, Solan spends most of his free time with his family and his wonderful twin boys."

• Sandrine-Aïcha Karam nous écrit: "Voici quelques nouvelles après de très longues années... Après mon bac à Rabat et mes études de BTS à Angers, je me retrouve sur Paris là où mes parents vivaient. Je passe le concours pour devenir Conseiller à l'ANPE, j'y reste 6 ans ½ pour retrouver un poste d'assistance de direction bilingue pour une société hollandaise à Paris. Aujourd'hui je travaille toujours pour la même société mais en tant que gestionnaire de comptes clients (gestion du patrimoine en France). Je vis depuis 1 an ½ avec mon ami David. Je suis toujours en contact avec Yolande Amiot-Priso, depuis un an avec Lancelot Gambis et depuis peu avec Guido Milner. J'attends qu'une réunion des anciens élèves soit programmée sur Paris…ou New York… A bientôt… »

• Béatrice Le Pechoux Perez wrote: "Hello all. I have just read through all the class notes for 1987. Even though I left the Lycee way before the Bac in '87, I have very good and vivid memories of my eight years at the Lycee and the friends that shared those years. What a nice trip down memory lane reading about your news. I figured it was time I gave you my own update. I am actually back in the US "sort of".... I live in North Carolina but have a marketing position that covers activities in Europe so I am on the other side of the Atlantic half of the time. For those of you who live in some of the European capitals or Istanbul, please send me an email if you wish so we can maybe try to meet some time! My husband is Chilean but has a business in Argentina near the Brazilian border, and we also travel to those countries regularly, so if anyone is there.... Hope the news and updates keep coming!"

TOP: Guillaume Rambourg ('87); BOTTOM: Noga Arikha ('87)

• Stephanie Mulot sent this to us: "Greetings to all! First I'd like to thank everyone at the LFNY Alumni Association for their great work! I always enjoy browsing through the AALFNY website. In fact, I was able to get in touch with *Alain Konda* and *Zoe Coxon* through the Class Notes. I am still in contact with *Marc Doo-Kingue, Nick Meltzer, Ali Haddou, Jean-Michel Huet and Ken Smith*. Most of us were actually reunited for Nick's wedding in May 2004. I am also in touch with *Adrienne Wickert* and *Christine Oury*, although I haven't seen them in a while. As for me, I have been living in London for four years now. I work for an international organization. The big change however is that my parents left NY and moved to Florida. Best wishes."

• Nicolas Meltzer was kind enough to send us a bunch of updates on his classmates, as well as on himself (at the end of all the updates), as follows:

"Ali Haddou: Works for some think tank in Mexico City, married to the lovely Ezra, had their first child, daughter Nina on December 2, 2005. Ali, tell Nina uncle Nick is coming to visit real soon.

**Ken Smith**: Works for the Mexican government in Mexico City. Married to his college sweetheart Amy. They have 2 sons Sebastian and Sidney. Ken, I think Seby is old enough for his 1st Yankee game. I expect to see you in NYC soon.

**Marc Doo-Kingue**: Living the good life. Tennis pro in the Hamptons during the summer. Tennis pro in Puerta Vallarta, Mexico in the winter. Professional traveler in the off-season. Dude, I'll see you in Mexico in a few months.

**Olivier Faure**: School director in Paris. Has two great sons Emile and Leon. Getting married sometime this year. Olivier, just say when and where and I'll be there.

**Stephanie Mulot**: Lives in London with her husband, my main man Fred. Steph, you're due for your next visit to NYC.

**Jean-Michel Huet**: Married to Alexandra, now working for Morgan Stanley in NYC. Lives one block away from on the Upper East Side. J-M, how about brunch this weekend?

Jean-Philippe Prugnaud: Living in Paris with lovely wife Mindy and two daughters Amanda and Emily. JPP, I'll see you in Paris soon.

**Georges Nedellec**: Living in San Diego, married to Cecile. Just had their 2nd child Lea on November 26, 2005 joining brother Alan. Georges, you're due a trip back to the city.

**As for me**, I'm living in New York City with my lovely wife and future doctor Gianina. We are expecting our 1st child this summer. We both love all you guys. You know you have great friends when they make the Schlep to Romania for your wedding. Looking forward to seeing you all real soon.

Sincerely, Nicolas Meltzer Class of '87"

# -----From June 2005 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Jean-Philippe Prugnaud wrote: "I have been living in Paris for 7 years with my wife Mindy who is Taiwanese-American and we have two daughters: Amanda and Emily (4 and 2)...I saw [Nicolas] Meltzer and his wife-to-be before their wedding last year and still talk to Olivier Faure."

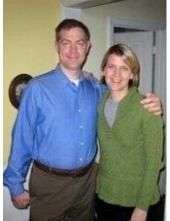
• Silène Braida nous ecrit: "je viens d'etre maman pour la 3eme fois. J'ai 2 filles, Maeva 13 ans et demi, Cynthia 12 ans, et un petit garçon de 5mois, Khélian. J'espere avoir de vos nouvelles prochainement et je vous remercie pour tous vos couriers."

• From **Zoé (Coxon) Cuddy**: "Since my last note, I have had a second daughter, Bettina Ann, born January 28, 2004. I just began working as the staff psychologist at a pre-school for children with disabilities called Howard Haber Early Learning Center, in the Bronx."

• Serge Francois is currently a university librarian at CyFair College in Houston, Teexas.







#### -----From November 2004 AALFNY Newsletter-----

Sophie Gest nous écrit: "J'exploite avec mon compagnon un hotel restaurant gastronomique dans le Gers."

• Olivier Poncet says hello to all of his old friends from the Lycee and hopes that they are all doing well. He is extremely happy to finally be back in NYC after a 5-year stint in the suburbs (pas recommendé), and is now living a mere two blocks from the new Lycee building (this was on purpose: he is looking forward to sending his beloved daughter, Colette, who turns 2 at the end of October, to the Lycee starting next year, and is currently going through the interview / application process, etc). He has been working at Deutsche Bank in NYC for over 7 years now, and is currently Business Manager for the Private Client / Private Wealth Management division). It was thrilling to see a message from Ken, with news of him and Ali, two of my best buddies (and first band-mates) back then, along with Steve Siegel of course (long live Chestnut Dessert). Would love to get back in touch with any of my old classmates if any of you are still lurking around this wonderful city... (Marc Doo Kingué, où es-tu?!?)"

• Pierre Oury ('85) shared this with us: "My sister, **Christine Oury** ('87), now has two small boys Mathieu and Alexandre and currently lives near Denver, Colorado with her husband Joel. She works for a satellite/telecommunications company."

• March 11th marked another birthday for **Micheline Dugué** '87. About a dozen alumni joined Micheline's family and other friends to celebrate at the Union Square area restaurant, Lucy. Top-notch sangria flowed and platters of great scallop "ceviche" arrived and were quickly emptied. Alumni revelers included Natalie Yates Cacciato '78, Jeremy Yates '74, Susan Schwenger '80, Vanessa der Calousdian '94, Druce Vertes '83, Alessandra Gagliardi '86, Gloria Tulliu '73, Jackie Tolkowsky, and Mathieu Moulin, among others... They brought their good cheer and gifts of books-- rather like the old days of the distribution des prix!

#### -----From Winter 2003-2004 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Christine Oury-Foucher writes: "Here's an update on what's going on in my life: our second son Alexandre was born in June. Our eldest, Mathieu, is 4. We are still living in Denver!"

#### -----From Winter 2002/2003 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Natasha Bult writes: « Thank you so much for this wonderful Newsletter with information on classmates. I am trying to get in touch with Helen Nguyen's mother to write my condolences. How sad. As for an update, I wished to let you know that I am living in London. I graduated in 1991 from Princeton where I studied Art History and Visual Arts, concentrating on Photography. Photography became my passion and I went out to

Arizona to study with my teacher's teacher, the eminent Frederick Sommer, in an apprenticeship. Thereafter, I began setting up a Photographic Programme in London, which was no mean feat! Four years ago, I was joined by my associate Margaret Mann, and we have formally founded The School of Black and White Photography, fully accredited, and offering many exciting Programmes in all aspects of Photography. We are slowly linking up with some schools in the US. I see Julien Sevaux, now a banker, here in London, as well as his sister, Claire. Astrid Froidure has, I heard, moved away although I am not sure where. I am always happy to have news of anyone..."

• Sebastian Fernandez says hello from NY, where he lives with his wife, Mara Leventhal, and two children, Maximilian and Gabriel.

• Silène Braida habite maintenant La Grande Motte en France.

#### -----From March/April 2002 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• François Guiraud travaille chez Lehman Brothers à Londres.

• Christine Foucher-Oury writes: "My brother Pierre Oury '85 gave me this link. I wanted to get back in touch. In June 2000, after 5 years in Montreal, my family relocated to Denver, Colorado, where my husband started a new position with his company. I had to leave my job as PR Manager with L'Oréal Canada and am now working for an advertising/marketing/PR firm in Denver. I am enjoying the challenges and diversity of clients, not to mention the climate and scenery! Our son, Mathieu, is now two years old."

• Serge François has a Masters in Library Science and is currently working as a librarian in Kansas City. He is also preparing another Masters at St. Paul's University/ School of Theology. Serge is married to Dr. Anne Danielson who is doing research for the Univ. of Kansas. They hope to be back on the East Coast in a few years!

• Cécile (Argenson) Lefèvre nous écrit : «Quelle ne fût pas ma surprise de retrouver peut-être les traces d'une de mes meilleures amies de New York, Aida Wane '88, que je croyais disparue de la surface de la Terre ! A chaque réception de vos courriers c'est une joie de se replonger dans ces bonnes années passées dans votre Lycée que de souvenirs! Maintenant je suis mariée, maman de deux enfants Hubert 11 mois et Marie-Charlotte 30 mois.Responsable Commerciale dans une société d'HLM. Bref, tout va bien. J'espère avoir bientôt de vos nouvelles et surtout de me permettre de renouer avec ces années.»

#### -----From July/August 2001 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Radhouane Tekaia writes: "Great site! It's so funny to read about Kenneth and Ali. I myself joined the Tunisian Ministry for International Cooperation and Foreign Investment in 1992. I'm the head (since 1997) of

the London office of the Foreign Investment Promotion Agency, which does what it says on the label. Anyone else in London from the class of 87?"

• Sophie Gest: "Je réside à Abidjan depuis 1992. Je gère une régie publicitaire (supports d'affichage, presse, internet, recherche de sponsoring.) La vie à Abidjan n'a pas été de tout repos ces derniers temps avec les nombreux coups d'état ou tentatives de déstabilisation. Je guette donc les opportunités de m'expatrier dans un 'coin plus tranquille'... A bon entendeur ! J'espère avoir des nouvelles de mes copains de promo."

• Christine (Oury) Foucher: "My brother Pierre Oury '85, gave me the Lycee's website address. In June 2000, after 5 years in Montreal, Quebec, my family relocated to Denver, Colorado, where my husband was starting a new position with his company. I had to leave my job as PR Manager for L'Oréal Canada and am now working for an advertising/marketing/PR firm in Denver. I am enjoying the challenges of an agency and the diversity of clients, not to mention the scenery and climate! Our son, Mathieu, is now 2 years old."

• Franck Blondel a eu une licence d'économétrie à la Sorbonne, et a ensuite intégré la Fnac. Ensuite il a travaillé chez Office Depot et a fait l'ouverture des 5 premiers magasins en France, en tant que Manager Achats pour 25% du CA (produits pour le bureau, téléphonie, fax, imprimantes...). Depuis '98, il est chez Hewlett Packard, encore une société américaine; manager pour l'Europe d'une famille de produits et a en charge les résultats et la vente de cette gamme dans 22 pays. Bref, pas le temps de s'ennuyer! A part ça, il compose des chansons (parole et musique). Il habite Grenoble; marié, papa de Bryan,13 mois.

• Micheline Dugué, MD is a geriatric psychiatrist specializing in the evaluation of older people for memory disorders. She is the clinical director of the Geriatric Psychiatry Clinic at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City and has been a member of the Alumni Association of the LFNY for over two years. Micheline sent the Alumni Council a postcard from Mount Everest! She celebrated her 31st birthday with a trip to India and Nepal in March.

#### -----From February/March 2001 AALFNY Newsletter-----

• Kenneth Smith writes us from Mexico: "The web site is great, and I want to congratulate you for all the efforts you have made to keep the Alumni Association going." He has a year and a half old son who is already going to a mini-cours (classe tout-petits) so that he can go to the Lycée Français down in Mexico City in a couple of years! Kenneth is working as chief of staff of the Undersecretary of Trade of Mexico, working primarily on negotiations of free trade agreements such as the one recently concluded with the European Union. His classmate, Ali Haddou, works in the Trade Ministry in Mexico, at the Federal Commission on Regulatory Improvement.